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Nevada State Athletic Commission to administer enhanced pre-fight testing for Pacquiao-Bradley

Las Vegas, NV- Nevada State Athletic Commission Chairman, Francisco Aguilar, today announced plans to administer enhanced pre-fight testing in advance of the April 12 rematch between Manny Pacquiao and Timothy Bradley.

"As a Commission, we believe that implementing this enhanced protocol is taking our ability to ensure a clean fight to a new level. As always, our primary concern is the protection of the health and safety of the fighters and ensuring fans get a clean fight," said Aguilar. "We appreciate the support of Top Rank and Bob Arum in helping make this happen."

Under the enhanced testing protocol administered by the Commission, test samples can be collected at any time without prior notice. The enhanced testing protocol includes isotope-ratio mass spectrometry (IRMS) to detect the use of exogenous testosterone. The Commission was provided with a copy of the fighter's schedules leading up to the bout and will dispatch World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) certified collectors to the fighter's location on an unspecified schedule.

About the Nevada Athletic Commission:

The Nevada Athletic Commission, an agency of the Nevada Department of Business and Industry, was established by an act of the Nevada legislature in 1941. Since that time, the Commission has regulated professional unarmed combat including boxing, kickboxing and mixed martial arts in Nevada. The Commission administers state laws and regulations governing unarmed combat for the protection of the public and to ensure the health and safety of the contestants. For more information about the Nevada Athletic Commission, visit http://boxing.nv.gov/.